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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	Sagner, <i>et al.</i>	Confirmation No.:	7485
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For:	Method for Determining the Efficiency of Nucleic Acid Amplifications	Attorney Docket No:	1803-326-999 (5443)

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2003, be extended by a period of one (1) month from April 21, 2003, to and including May 21, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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